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(57) Abstract

A human peroxisome proliferation activated receptor gene is purified from the environment in which it naturally occurs, and preferably provided within an expression vector.

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DESCRIPTIONHuman Peroxisome Proliferator Activated ReceptorCross Reference to Related Application

This application is a continuation-in-part of Application Docket No. 202/041, titled "Human Peroxisome Proliferator Activated Receptor," filed October 22, 1993, by Mukherjee, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Field of the Invention

This invention relates to the cloning and uses of a human peroxisome proliferator activated receptor.

Background of the Invention

5 A peroxisome proliferator is an agent that induces peroxisomal proliferation. Peroxisome proliferators are a diverse group of chemicals which include unsaturated fatty acids, hypolipidemic drugs, herbicides, leukotriene antagonists, and plasticizers (for a review, see Green,
10 S., 43 Biochem. Pharmacol. 393-400, 1992). Hypolipidemic drugs such as clofibrates have been found to lower triglycerides and cholesterol levels in plasma and to be beneficial in the prevention of ischaemic heart disease in individuals with elevated levels of cholesterol (Havel,
15 R.J. and Kane, J.P., 13 Ann. Rev. Pharmac. 287-308, 1973). Therapeutic use of such drugs, however, is questioned because clofibrates are carcinogens in rats.

Peroxisome proliferator activated receptor (PPAR) is a member of the steroid receptor family. It is activated
20 by peroxisome proliferators. Issemann and Green, 347 Nature 645, 1990, cloned a mouse peroxisome proliferator activated receptor (mPPAR) gene from a mouse liver complementary DNA (cDNA) library. Göttlicher et al., 89 Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. USA 4653-4657, 1992, cloned a rat
25 peroxisome proliferator activated receptor (rPPAR) gene from a rat liver cDNA library. PPARs from mouse and rat share 97% homology in amino acid sequence and a

particularly well-conserved putative ligand-binding domain. Three members of the Xenopus nuclear hormone receptor superfamily have also been found to be structurally and functionally related to the mPPAR
5 (Dreyer et al., 68 Cell 879-887, 1992).

Schmidt et al., 6 Molecular Endocrinology 1634-1641, 1992, cloned a steroid hormone receptor gene, NUC1, from a human osteosarcoma cell cDNA library. The homology between amino acid sequence of NUC1 and that of the mouse
10 PPAR is only 62%. Thus, although it is clear that NUC1 is a member of the PPAR receptor group, it remains to be determined whether NUC1 is the human homolog of the mouse PPAR or a new member of the PPAR family.

Sher et al., 32 Biochemistry 5598-5604, 1993, cloned
15 a human PPAR gene from a human liver cDNA library. This clone has 85% nucleotide sequence homology and 91% amino acid sequence homology with the mPPAR clone.

Summary of the Invention

The present invention relates to the cloning of a
20 human PPAR gene, hPPAR1. The protein encoded by hPPAR1 has 92% homology with the mouse PPAR. It is different from the human PPAR cloned by Sher et al., supra, at two locations in the amino acid sequence, i.e., amino acids 268 and 296.

25 The hPPAR1 clone can be used for the expression of large amounts of hPPAR1. This human PPAR clone is also useful for screening compounds for improved pharmacological profiles for the treatment of hyperlipidemia with higher potency, efficacy, and fewer
30 side effects. Specifically, the human PPAR clone can be used to screen for compounds active as primary endogenous inducers of the human PPAR. In addition, it is useful for establishing the tissue specific expression pattern of human PPAR. For example, a Northern blot can be used to
35 reveal tissue specific expression of the gene to aid treatment of diseases such as atherosclerosis.

Thus, in a first aspect, the invention features a purified nucleic acid encoding a human PPAR with the nucleotide base sequence shown in Figure 1, and given as SEQ ID NO. 1. By purified nucleic acid is meant that the
5 nucleic acid is separated from its natural environment and from other nucleic acids.

In a second aspect, the present invention features a vector containing the human PPAR gene. This vector may be used for multiplication of the human PPAR gene or
10 expression of the human PPAR gene.

In a preferred embodiment, the vector is an expression vector. In one example, the expression vector is used to make a recombinant human PPAR nucleic acid, which can be used as a specific probe for DNA or RNA
15 complementary to the human PPAR sequence. In another example, the expression vector is used to express human recombinant PPAR protein.

By vector is meant a plasmid or viral DNA molecule into which either a cDNA or a genomic DNA sequence is
20 inserted.

By expression vector is meant a vector that directs protein synthesis from a promoter. In a preferred embodiment, either vector pBacPAK8 (Clontech) or vector pBacPAK9 (Clontech) is used to express the human PPAR in
25 insect cells. In another preferred embodiment, vector pYES2 (Invitrogen) is used to express the human PPAR in yeast cells. In yet another preferred embodiment, pBKCMV (Stratagene) is used to express the human PPAR in mammalian cells.

30 By recombinant human PPAR is meant a non-naturally expressed human PPAR.

Other features and advantages of the invention will be apparent from the following description of the preferred embodiments thereof, and from the claims.

Description of the Preferred Embodiments

Drawings

Figure 1 is the nucleotide and amino acid sequence of hPPAR1; and

5 Figure 2 is a comparison of the amino acid sequences of hPPAR1 and the mouse PPAR.

What follows is an example of the cloning of a human PPAR. Those of ordinary skill in the art will recognize that equivalent procedures can be readily used to isolate
10 human PPAR from cDNA libraries or genomic libraries of other tissues than that exemplified below, namely the liver.

In general, the cloning of the human PPAR involved probing a human liver cell cDNA library with a labeled
15 EcoRI-BglII fragment (nucleotides 450-909) of the rat PPAR (459 bases). The sequence of the probe is shown in Götlicher et al. supra.

The recipes for buffers, mediums, and solutions in the following examples are given in J. Sambrook, E. F.
20 Fritsch, and T. Maniatis, Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, 2 Ed., Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, New York, 1989.

Example 1: Cloning of a human PPAR

A human PPAR subtype, hPPAR1, was cloned from a human
25 liver 5'-stretch cDNA library (Clontech #HL1115a) in lambda gt10 phages. C600-Hfl coli (Clontech) was grown overnight in LB broth supplemented with 0.2% maltose. A required amount of phage (corresponding to 2 million plaques) was mixed with 200 microliters of 10 mM MgCl₂/10
30 mM CaCl₂ and 1.5 milliliters of the overnight C600-Hfl coli and incubated at 37°C for 30 minutes. Soft LB agarose was added at 48°C, mixed and poured onto prewarmed 22x22 cm rectangular LB agar plates and incubated overnight at 37°C.

35 Plaque lifts were performed by chilling the plates at 4°C to harden the top agarose and prevent it from peeling,

marking a nylon or nitrocellulose filter on the surface contacting the plaques, laying the filter on the surface without trapped air bubbles, and leaving it for about a minute. A number of asymmetric dots were inserted with
5 Indian ink with a syringe and needle so that the ink soaked into the agar. The sheets were then peeled gently away, and laid plaque side up on two sheets of Whatman 3MM soaked in denaturing solution, and left for about 2 minutes. The sheets were then peeled away and immersed in
10 a standard neutralizing solution for 5 minutes, immersed in 5X SSC, air dried, and baked at 80°C under vacuum, for 2 hours.

The filters were prehybridized in 40% formamide, 5X SSC, 0.1 % SDS, 1X Denhardt, and 100 ng/ml denatured
15 salmon sperm DNA at 37°-42°C for 1 hour. Labeled DNA probe (1 million cpm/ml) was denatured by heating at 100°C for 10 minutes, chilled, and then added to the prehybridization solution, and hybridized at 37°-42°C overnight. The filters were washed in 2X SSC and, 0.1%
20 SDS at 42°C or higher temperature.

Positive plaques were identified and purified by rescreening two more times. The probe was labeled by nick-translation.

Phage stocks were made by isolating and removing a
25 well separated plaque with the narrow end of an autoclaved Pasteur pipette, immersing it in 1 ml of standard SM buffer, and adding a drop of chloroform. This was left for a few hours at room temperature (20°C-24°C) or overnight at 4°C, vortexed, and centrifuged.

30 The cDNA insert was amplified by polymerase chain reactions (PCR). 20 microliters of phage stock was used in 100 microliters of standard PCR reaction buffer, by adding all components except Polymerase. This mixture was heated to 99°C, and Vent DNA polymerase (Biolabs) was
35 added to start the PCR cycles. The PCR conditions were 95°C 1 minute, 72°C 1 minute, 72°C 3 minutes (1 minute per

kilobase) for 30 cycles, 72°C 5 minutes, and kept at 4°C till further utilized.

The applicant isolated a clone from the cDNA library using an EcoR1-BglII fragment (nucleotides 450-909) of the
5 rat PPAR (459 bases) as a probe and the hybridization conditions provided above. This clone was purified and its sequence defined. This sequence is shown in Figure 1, and as SEQ. ID. NO. 1. Figure 2 is a comparison of mPPAR and hPPAR1 amino acid sequences with those amino acids
10 having identity between the two sequences enclosed in blocks.

Example 2: Northern blot analysis

A human multiple tissue Northern blot was purchased from Clontech. Screening was done following the
15 manufacturer's protocol. The blot was prehybridized in 5X SSPE, 10X Denhardt's solution, 100µg/ml of freshly denatured salmon sperm DNA, 50% formamide and 2% SDS for 3 hours at 42°C. DNA from the EcoR1 site at position 1025 of the coding region to the end of the cloned gene was
20 used as probe (see Figure 1). This DNA was labeled by random priming, boiled and added at a concentration of 1 million cpm/ml of prehybridization solution. Hybridization was carried out for 13 hours at 42°C. The blot was then washed in 2X SSC, 0.05% SDS at room
25 temperature followed by two washes in 0.1X SSC, 0.1% SDS at 50°C and exposed to X-ray film.

A specific band of about 10 kilobase was observed in all tissues except the brain. Maximal expression was observed in skeletal muscle, followed by heart, placenta,
30 pancreas, liver, kidney, and lung. The expression of hPPAR1 gene is therefore observed in tissues known to express PPARs in other species.

SEQUENCE LISTING

(1) GENERAL INFORMATION:

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(ii) TITLE OF INVENTION: HUMAN PEROXISOME
15 PROLIFERATOR
ACTIVATED RECEPTOR

(iii) NUMBER OF SEQUENCES: 3

(iv) COMPUTER READABLE FORM:

20 (A) MEDIUM TYPE: 3.5" Diskette, 1.44 Mb
(B) COMPUTER: IBM compatible
(C) OPERATING SYSTEM: IBM P.C. DOS
(Version 5.0)
(D) SOFTWARE: WordPerfect (Version 5.1)

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 1:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

40 (A) LENGTH: 1407 base pairs
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 2:

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(A) LENGTH: 468 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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				160					165				
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			185					190					195
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	Asn	Asn	Pro	Pro	Phe	Val	Ile	His	Asp	Met	Glu	Thr	Leu
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					330					335			
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		340					345					350	
15	Cys	Asp	Ile	Met	Glu	Pro	Lys	Phe	Asp	Phe	Ala	Met	Lys
				355					360				
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	365					370					375		
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 3:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

5 (A) LENGTH: 468 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION : SEQ ID NO: 3:

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	Phe	Leu	Gln	Glu 30	Met	Gly	Asn	Ile	Gln 35	Glu	Ile	Ser	Gln
	Ser 40	Ile	Gly	Glu	Glu	Ser 45	Ser	Gly	Ser	Phe	Gly 50	Phe	Ala
15	Asp	Tyr	Gln 55	Tyr	Leu	Gly	Ser	Cys 60	Pro	Gly	Ser	Glu	Gly 65
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20	Ser 80	Ser	Val	Ser	Cys	Pro	Val 85	Ile	Pro	Ala	Ser	Thr 90	Asp
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	Arg	Leu	Lys	Leu	Val 135	Tyr	Asp	Lys	Cys	Asp 140	Arg	Ser	Cys
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	Arg	Phe	His	Lys 160	Cys	Leu	Ser	Val	Gly 165	Met	Ser	His	Asn
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			250					255					260
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25	Cys	Asp	Ile	Met	Glu	Pro	Lys	Phe	Asp	Phe	Ala	Met	Lys
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					395					400			
	Ile	Val	His	Val	Leu	Lys	Leu	His	Leu	Gln	Ser	Asn	His
	405						410					415	
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				420					425				

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Met	Val	Asp	Leu	Arg	Gln	Leu	Val	Thr	Glu	His	Ala	Gln	
430					435					440			
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		445					450					455	
5	Leu	His	Pro	Leu	Leu	Gln	Glu	Ile	Tyr	Arg	Asp	Met	Tyr
				460					465			468	

What is claimed is:

1. Purified nucleic acid comprising the nucleotide sequence shown in SEQ ID NO. 1.
2. A vector comprising said nucleic acid of claim
5 1.
3. Recombinant PPAR expressed from said nucleic acid of claim 1.

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FIG. 1

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FIG. 2



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(57) Abstract

A human peroxisome proliferation activated receptor gene is purified from the environment in which it naturally occurs, and preferably provided within an expression vector.

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